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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250, at one time, will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank, having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, May 7, 1885.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

REGISTERED OFFICE,
40, TERRASSONNE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES
In India, China, Japan, and the Colonies.

THE Bank receives Money on Deposit, buys and sells Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and transacts Banking and Agency business generally on terms to be had on application.

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED ON ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS.

H. A. BERTHET,
Manager,
Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, July 4, 1885.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up CAPITAL, \$7,000,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,000,000
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS, \$8,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROFESSIONALS, \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS
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HONGKONG,
Interest ALLOWED,
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum;
6 months, 4 per cent.;
12 months, 5 per cent.

Local Branch Depositors.
Credit granted on approved Receipts and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and other Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, August 24, 1885.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been nominated by Special Appointment Committee, CHIEF AGENTS for the FOREIGN BUSINESS of His Excellency, the VICE-ROUT OF CHINAH.

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, August 11, 1885.

Prospectus.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS
OF THE
PUNJAM & SUNGHEE DUA SAMAN-
TAN MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES'
ORDINANCES, 1865 to 1883,
OF HONGKONG.

CAPITAL, \$1,000,000
Divided into 40,000 Shares of \$10 each, of which 15,000 are fully paid up. Shares and allotted; 20,000 will be allotted and issued as provided for in the Articles of Association of the Company, and the remaining 5,000 are offered to the Public and are Payable as follows: viz.—

\$3 on application, \$2 on allotment, and the residue when, and as the same shall from time to time be called up under the Provisions contained in the Articles of Association of the Company.

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Combined Loading and Turnover MACHINES.
POWDER and Shot MEASURES, and FLASKS.
Exploded Shell EXTRACTORS.
Water-proof Gun CASES, &c.
Cartridge BELTS and BAGS.

Water-proof Canvas and Leather LEGGINGS.
Field and Case GUN-CLEANERS, Gun-OIL.
OIL BOTTLES, SCREW-DRIVERS, and Case CUTTERS.

CALCUTTA—PITH SUN HATS (extra thick for Sportsmen).

English-made Hand-sewn SHOOTING BOOTS.

(PIC-NIC and SHOOTING PARTIES supplied with FRESH STORES, WINES, &c., at special rates.)

Hongkong, August 23, 1885.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

1478

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF—

SPORTSMEN'S SUNDRIES & AMMUNITION.

DOUBLE-BARRELLED FOWLING PIECES in Cases, with IMPLEMENTS, Complete, from \$45.00.

Elery's Brown, Blue and Green CARTRIDGE CASES.

ELY'S White FELT, Grey CLOTH and Gauze-proof WADS.

Ely's Cylindrical Wire CARTRIDGES.

Newcastle Chilled SHOT, &c.

Picov & Wink's ALLIANCE SPORTING POWDER.

Re-capping, Loading and Ramming MACHINES.

Combined Loading and Turnover MACHINES.

POWDER and Shot MEASURES, and FLASKS.

Exploded Shell EXTRACTORS.

Water-proof Gun CASES, &c.

Cartridge BELTS and BAGS.

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Hongkong, August 23, 1885.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

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Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE HOTEL is prepared to SUPPLY SHOOTING, PICNIC, BOATING, and other EXCURSION PARTIES with all necessaries.

No Charge will be made for Un-opened Bottles, Tins, &c., returned to the Hotel in Good Order.

Apply to

H. St. CLAIR GREENLEY,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 6, 1885. 1572

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1884.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underwriters with a List of their Contributors for the year ending Six December last, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PROFITS may be arranged for Contributors who may be entitled to Returns prior to the THIRTY-FIRST DAY of October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 1, 1885. 1502

HOUSING FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

RECEIVING CHARGES.

MR. J. KENNEDY will kill KOBE BULLDOGS on MONDAYS and FRIDAYS.

Orders should be sent to the House Repository on these days for delivery on TUESDAY and SATURDAY MORNING.

Hongkong, September 9, 1885. 1571

KOBE BEEF.

M. R. KENNEDY will kill KOBE BULLDOGS on MONDAYS and FRIDAYS.

Orders should be sent to the House Repository on these days for delivery on TUESDAY and SATURDAY MORNING.

Hongkong, September 9, 1885. 1571

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

Moderate FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon Dentist.

(Formerly APPOINTED and LATELY ASSISTANT to Dr. ROGERS.)

At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROGERS.

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

DISCOUNT to missionaries and families.

Sole Address.

2, DUDDELL STREET.

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 1502

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMasters and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, upon their arrival, in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDER for REPAIRS if sent to the Head-Office, No. 14, Praya Contra, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Underwriters is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1488

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of BUSINESS Contributed during the Half-Year ended 30th June, 1885, or before the 30th SEPTEMBER next, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 6, 1885. 1403

NOTICE.

FOR the Convenience of Customers, the

Productions of the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, can henceforth be obtained by RETAIL, FOR CASH, at No. 3, PEEL STREET, at the same prices as at the RETAILERS, or RETAIL ORDERS will be delivered at addresses in town or upon application forwards their Monthly Requirements in writing direct to the RETAILER at East Point.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, July 27, 1885. 1482

SAINT RAPHAEL WINE COMPANY.

A. VALANCE (Draper).

Hongkong, September 2, 1885. 1512

GRIFFITH'S NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG

ARE NOW READY.

1, DUDDELL STREET.

GRIFFITH & CO., MANUFACTURERS OF THE

LONDON PRINTED WATER-PIECES.

DUDDELL STREET.

For Sale.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Are now landing

DEVON'S NONPARUEL KEROSINE
OIL.HITCHCOOK MECHANICAL
'NO CHIMNEY'
LAMP.

STUDENT'S LAMP.

FAIRBANK'S SCALES.

MACKENZIE & MACKENZIE'S
BISCUITS.NEW SEASON'S TEA,
in 5 or 10 Catty Boxes.YELLOW GOSHEW BUTTER,
in 5 or 10 lbs Tins.

Condensed MILK.

CALIFORNIA PRODUCTS.

COOKING STOVES.

AGATE IRON WARE.

Milner's FIRE PROOF SAFES.

Do. CASH AND PAPER

BOXES.

ALLEN & GANTER'S

TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES.

BEER AND PORTER

in

Hogsheads.

THE USUAL ASSORTMENT

of

OILMAN'S STORES,

AND

WINES,

at the lowest possible prices

FOR CASH.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, September 2, 1885. 1510

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.FROM BATAVIA, SINGAPORE,
AND SAIGON.THE Company's S.S. *Bentor* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 14, 1885. 1595

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.THE Steamship *Benjiu* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before 5 p.m. To-day, the 10th instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 17th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, September 10, 1885. 1573

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Assington*, Capt. Steffensen, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk, into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before 3 p.m. To-day, the 12th instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 17th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned after the Goods have left the Godowns.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 12, 1885. 1589

BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM LONDON AND ANTWERP,
VIA SINGAPORE.THE Steamship *Bentor* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wanha, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 18th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 11, 1885. 1585

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. ANGERS, FROM LONDON, ANTWERP, GLASGOW, PENANG, SINGAPORE & SAIGON.

CONSIGNERS of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on to SHANGAI, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow, the 11th instant.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 17th instant, or they will not be recognized.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 10, 1885. 1579

Intimations.

WILLIAM DOLAN,
SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,
23, PLATA CENTRAL.COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS,
MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN
OAKUM, LIFE BOATS,
CORK JACKETS,
&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. 268

HONGKONG PHARMACY
26, LYNDHURST TERRACE.
WOODFORD & Co.H. B. WOODFORD,
Medical Practitioner,
26, LYNDHURST TERRACE.
Hongkong, July 10, 1885. 1160

To-day's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL
TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL 125,000 DOLLARS.

In 1,250 Shares of \$100 each. On each share the sum of \$50 is to be paid upon allotment, and the balance by an call to be made at such time as the General Managers, with the advice and direction of the Consulting Committee, shall determine.

Consulting Committee:
THE HON. PHINEAS RYRIE,
A. MOYER, Esq.
J. B. COUGHTRE, Esq.
A. FINDLAY SMITH, Esq.General Managers:
MESSRS. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.Bankers:
THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.Solicitors:
MESSRS. WOTTON AND DEACON.Company's Office:
36, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

Prospectus.

THE Company (which was duly incorporated as a Company Limited by Shares on the 17th day of August, 1885) has been formed for the purpose of constructing, equipping and working a line of Tramways to a terminus adjoining St. John's Place in Garden Road and Victoria Gap, Hongkong.

With this object in view, the Company has acquired from the Hon. P. Ryrie and Mr. A. Findlay Smith the right to construct and maintain a Tramway by an Indenture dated the 12th day of September, 1885, and made between the Hon. P. Ryrie and A. Findlay Smith of the one part and the Company of the other part, whereby these gentlemen granted and assigned to the Company the right to construct and maintain the Tramway No. 6 in the Tramway Ordinance 1883, thereby authorizing them to confer in so far as the Company might desire to exercise the same in regard to the said Tramway. This Indenture is open to inspection at the Office of the Company.

The Public are already alive to the necessity for this undertaking, and are aware of the steadily increasing traffic between the City of Victoria and Victoria Gap, which calls for, and promises to make remunerative, a speedy, economical, and thoroughly effective and safe means of transport.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m. To-day, the 10th instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 17th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, September 10, 1885. 1573

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, September 11, 1885. 1585

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA MAIL.

Amongst the passengers by the *City of Rio de Janeiro* from San Francisco to Yokohama, was the Hon. Charles Derby, the new U. S. Minister to China, and Mr. J. M. Birch, U. S. Consul for Nagasaki.

The small steamer *Dilly*, built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. for the Macao Government, and whose launch at Kowloon we mentioned on the 12th of August, made her trial trip to-day. Mr. D. Gillies, with Messrs. Cooke, Boyd, and other employees of the Dock Company and several guests, went on board the new boat from Puddler's Wharf at 12.30. A choice dinner, supplied by the Hongkong Hotel, had been provided and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent by those on board. The trip made was round the island, and by 5 p.m. the little vessel was back at her moorings on the Kowloon side.

We understand that the *Dilly* fully carried out the expectations of the builders, and that the result of the trial was in every way satisfactory. The engines, working smoothly and well, attained during the trip, a speed of about 10.8 knots. The boat will, we understand, be shortly handed over to the Macao government, to be employed as a despatch vessel between Macao and Timor.

The adjourned enquiry concerning the death of Henry McNeil, the seaman who died suddenly on the night of the 10th instant, at John Brown's house, Wauchope, was concluded this morning at the Magistracy. The medical evidence was to the effect that death was caused by inflammation of the bowels. Other evidence produced showed that deceased had been discharged from his ship in June last and had for some time past been in a destitute condition, and had recently been taken in and lodged by Mr. Brown. On the night of the 10th he complained of pains in his feet and legs, and went to his bed early, and a few minutes afterwards expired. The jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

COMMENTING upon the proposal to lay a direct telegraphic line between this Colony and Singapore, the *Daily Press* of this morning repeats several of the considerations in favour of that scheme. - One of the remarks made is this: - "No one knows how soon the next war scare may arise. In writing this sentence our contemporary makes a statement with which nearly every one will agree. But how does it tally with the concluding sentence of the semi-official utterance of yesterday regarding the local defences? The fortifications are to be completed, we are there told, 'long before there is any chance of hostilities breaking out.' That is to say, as our contemporary now puts it, 'no one knows' when the fortifications will be completed.

OWING to the difficulty in connection with the carriage of the American mails by the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. being still unsettled, the *City of Rio de Janeiro*, which arrived here this afternoon, did not bring the regular mail, only a few letters that had been posted on board. The American mail has been sent via London and Suez. The following news was issued on the 31st July, by the Postmaster General at Washington: - China and Japan. There being only one dispatch during August next (on the 1st) from San Francisco for China and Japan direct, correspondence for China and Japan and the East Indies to be also forwarded until the 20th of August via Great Britain, 10 mails made up at New York, N. Y., as well as at San Francisco, Cal. A few hundred letters, mostly for Chinese had, however, been sent on board the steamer, and, as the sender had evidently endeavoured to prepay these with American stamps, they were delivered as paid, contrary to the general rule in such cases.

A most audacious theft was committed on Sunday night at the cattle-pen at Lap-sap-wan, where the bullocks are kept until ready for slaughtering. A part of the wall surrounding the stalls has fallen from the recent heavy rains, and it appears that during Sunday night a party of men entered the compound, killed two of the beasts and went off with them. The bullocks were killed the following day and openly sold in the Central Market. It is believed that five men were implicated in this daring act of cattle-lifting but only two have up to the present been arrested. One of these is a young butcher connected with the slaughter-houses, and the other the master of the stall in the market where the stolen beef was exposed for sale. They were brought before Mr. Mackean this morning, when the case was remanded till Thursday next.

We learn with pleasure that the *Mascotte* Opera Company, who deservedly earned great popularity during their stay here a couple of months ago, are again on their way to Hongkong, from Japan, and will give their first performance here about the 1st proxima. We believe they have engaged the Theatre for the month of October, and will, in all probability, give three performances weekly. This clever and talented company will no doubt receive a hearty welcome on their return, and will be better appreciated than ever, the contrast between the *Mascotte* and the present Company (the members of which, with the exception of Miss Molville and Signor Verdi, are indifferent singers and actors) being very marked, indeed. Mr. Tyrell, writing to the *Standard* from Yokohama under date the 2d August, says: - "We are well and highly pleased with the *Mascotte*. I expect to return to China quite rejuvenated."

H.M.S. *Swift*, from Port Hamilton, arrived at Woosung on the 9th instant.

The *Courier* of the 8th instant definitely asserts that there will be no change at the British Legation until the spring. Mr. O'Connor remaining Charge d'Affaires through the autumn and winter. Sir Robert Hart, it says, may be confidently expected to arrange, during the interval, the difficulties that have necessitated his resuming the post of Inspector-General, and he will in all probability become British Minister in the spring. That is at any rate what we all wish, and in this case the wish is not the only failure to the thought. Our *Tientain* correspondent, on the other hand, says Mr. O'Connor is very anxious to get out of his irksome harness as soon as possible. But, of course, the appointment of a successor does not lie with him, and he will have to wait, if his health permits, until one arrives. If matters are to turn out as the *Courier* predicts, it is scarcely to be hoped, for the sake of British interests, they will assume a definite form before long. Britain's influence at Peking has already sunk low enough.

Our telegram received yesterday, to the effect that General Courcy's proposed annexation of Annam had been vetoed by the French Government, is easily understood. It is not surprising that the military officer responsible for the conduct of affairs in Annam should prefer annexation to a protectorate, after the so-called revolt at Hanoi. But the disgust engendered in France over the indecisive, uninteresting and unproductive, though costly, little war was lately prosecuted by the French Government is deep and widespread. The French nation has not been dealt with, by its Government in an over-honest way over these wars, either as to their causes or their conduct; and the nation is not in a mood for committing itself to further responsibility. Hence the compromises so frequently adopted. In advocating the abdication of the King, however, France may be said to be following the example of the Powers in the deposition of Ismail, and the establishment of Tewfik, as Khedive of Egypt. Although the cases may not be altogether parallel, they are nearly equal in this, that they are both experiments in government. It is to be feared that Tonquin and Annam combined will furnish a difficult problem for France to solve; and M. Ferry's Easie-blunder will yet have to be paid for long after it is almost forgotten.

The meeting of the Stonewall (Colorado) Miners and Milling Company called for the 10th instant was postponed till the 17th inst., no quorum being present.

The *N. C. D. News* learns that the work of raising one of the Chinese man-of-war which was sunk in Sheipo Roads is so far advanced that the may shortly be expected in Shanghai.

The *N. C. D. News* hears privately that the cholera in Nagasaki is abating. Half the cases which are now said to recover, and this is looked upon as a hopeful sign. We trust it is.

In the U. S. Consular Court, Shanghai, on the 10th instant, judgment was given in the case of James Sorab Lucas v. St. J. Edwards. The plaintiff was awarded \$1,712.16, and the costs of the Court.

The ship *Wallace*, which has been at Woosung for some time, went up to Shanghai on the 10th instant, and is now discharging her coal at the Pooing Wharf and Government Company's premises. To people interested in shipping matters, says the *N. C. D. News*, the *Wallace* is well worth a visit.

The Madras Command. - In well-informed official circles in Madras the belief is, we hear, that Sir Peter Lumsden will be the chosen successor of General Roberts - we will not say the new Commander-in-Chief, as the appointment will be offered subject to any changes that may be determined upon in accordance with the recommendations of the Army Commission. - Pioneer.

The Tao-tai of Formosa has been deputed and superseded by Commissioner Liu for embarking Tls. 60,000 of the *lai-ki* revenue, in collusion with the *lai-ki* farmer, the compradores of a foreign firm. The former will certainly lose his button for a time, the latter may probably lose his head for good. - *N. C. D. News* Correspondent.

The correspondent of the *N. C. D. News* in Hangchow announces the completion of the new Arsenal, which has been erected under the superintendence of Mr. Wm. Kithn of Germany. 40,000 taels were paid by the native authorities to an agent who resides in Shanghai in the last week of August. The total cost of the buildings and machinery is about \$100,000.

The hearing of the case of Inspector Mack in the Shanghai Municipal Council, in which the plaintiff claimed \$50,000 as damages for wrongful dismissal from the Shanghai Police Force, has been concluded, and judgment awarded in favour of plaintiff for \$1000. The decision was as follows: -

After a careful consideration of the written and oral testimony, and the arguments of Counsel submitted in this case, the Court has found: -

That while the Court has no desire to interfere with the necessary control of the Municipal staff by the Council, and is unable to approve the conduct of the plaintiff, it is of opinion that, taking into consideration the various circumstances pleaded in his justification, it was hardly just to dismiss him without some recognition of his services.

The Court therefore awards: -

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Mr. P. A. Myburgh, who was formerly a barrister in Shanghai, is, says the *N. C. D. News*, a candidate in the Liberal interest for Orkney and Shetland.

A private contest for the championship of Australia came off on the Association Cricket Ground at Sydney on the 15th August. In the presence of about 4000 persons, the contest was for the champion and £200, and the competitors were John Rose of Sydney, champion of Australia, and James Thomas, of Melbourne, champion of Victoria. The conditions of the race were, that it was to consist of three distances - one, five, and two miles - the winner of any two events to become entitled to the money and the champion ship. The first event - of one mile - resulted in Rose's scoring with ease; but the second event - of five miles - looked for some time as if it would be a gift to the Victorian, who on completing the fourth mile led by about 40 yards. Rose then put on tremendous pace, and at the conclusion of the next lap - four of which are equal to a mile - had gained a clear lead of 40 yards. A few seconds later Thomas rode of the track, complained that he was suffering from a sudden attack of indigestion, and relinquished the contest, which was therefore won by the Sydney man.

We take this from the *Japan Herald*. - Our residents were somewhat surprised, descending to the settlement, yesterday morning (30th ult.) to find that H. M. S. *Audacious*, bearing the flag of the naval commander-in-chief, Admiral Sir W. Donisthorpe, had arrived in harbour, for although her arrival was shortly expected, no one was - we believe - aware that she was actually en route.

It is remarkable that this in Admiral Donisthorpe's first, and we presume, we may almost say last, visit to Yokohama, since he has been in command of the English squadron in these waters. It is however, by any means, his first visit to Japan, and for a space of old times, when he was captain of a corvette, he will, we understand, be a *personne grise* to the present of the Admiralty.

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